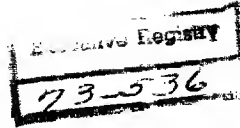


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23 January 1973



MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Joint Committee on Atomic Energy Request for
NIE 11-14, Warsaw Pact Forces for Operations
in Eurasia

1. Captain Edward J. Bauser, Executive Director, Joint Committee on Atomic Energy, has asked that NIE 11-14 and any other information which we have on this subject be made available to appropriately cleared members of the Committee staff for use in the preparation of a study on Soviet nonstrategic forces in Europe requested by the Chairman.

2. As you know, we have regularly provided the Committee with Estimates on the Soviet atomic energy program (NIE 11-2), and in past years you have approved, for transmittal to the Committee, other Estimates containing atomic energy information such as:

SNIE 11-10-67, US Intelligence Capabilities to Monitor
Certain Limitations on Soviet Strategic Weapons Programs

NIE 4-68, The Clandestine Introduction of Weapons of Mass
Destruction into the US

NIE 22-68 Nuclear Weapons and Delivery Capabilities

SNIE 13-10-68, Communist China's ICBM and Submarine-
Launched Ballistic Missile Programs

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SNIE 13-8-69, Communist China's Strategic Weapons Program

NIE 13-8-69, Communist China's Weapons Program for Strategic Attack

SNIE 43-1-72, [REDACTED] Capabilities and Intentions Regarding Nuclear Weapons Development

3. While NIE 11-14 covers all aspects of Warsaw Pact Forces in Eurasia, certain portions relate to such atomic energy matters as "Nuclear Warhead Storage in Eastern Europe," "Nuclear War in Europe," "Low-Yield Tactical Nuclear Weapons," and "Nuclear Support of Soviet Theater Force." I believe these sections contain sufficient information of interest to the Joint Committee to warrant transmittal of NIE 11-14-71, Annexes A through I thereto, and the Memorandum to Holders to the Committee staff. You may want to follow the usual procedure of raising this matter at USIB, but if you think this is unnecessary please let me know whether we should supply the material in question directly to Bauser.

4. As noted above Bauser has requested any other information bearing on this subject, and we understand that NIEs 11-3 and 11-8 do in fact contain such information. However, since the material in NIE 11-14 appears to cover the subject in substantial detail, I see no necessity for calling NIEs 11-3 and 11-8 to Bauser's attention.

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John M. Maury
Legislative Counsel

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Is it impossible to satisfy the Joint Committee's request by excerpting the few passages which deal with nuclear weapons? If we provide materials going well beyond the Committee's charter - in effect acknowledge a claim to all NIEs on military subject matter - we have little basis for refusing the same documents to other committees.

Huizenga

Although I see no substantive problem with complying with the request, I share Huizenga's concern that this may open the door to requests for all military estimates. As I understand the law, we cannot refuse the request. I feel that sending only the nuclear parts of the estimate would cause more problems than it is worth.

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Ed Proctor

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Please prepare a memo to HAK raising the issue + com

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